Please replace the paragraphs beginning on page 14 at lines 8 and 24 with the following rewritten paragraphs, respectively:

Fig. 1 illustrates the construction of vector pFG100. Ligation of a 2.8 kbp *Eco*RI-*Bam*HI DNA fragment (SEQ ID NO: 25) carrying the replicon of vector pIL2608 and a 298 bp PCR fragment containing *supD* suppressor allele (SEQ ID NO: 26).



Fig. 5 illustrates the construction of vector pFG200. Ligation of an *Eco*Rl digestion of plasmid pKR41 carrying a replicon and an *Eco*Rl digestion of pAK93 carrying the amber suppressor resulting in the plasmid pMPJ103. *Hind*III-digestion of pMPJ103, self-ligation and electroporation of strain FA4-1-1, resulting in vector pFG200 (SEQ ID NO: 27).

Please replace the paragraphs beginning on page 27 at lines 16, 24 and 39 with the following rewritten paragraphs, respectively:



(SEQ ID NO: 28) where the amber codon is indicated by m and the introduced AvrII restriction site is underlined. Suppression of this amber mutation by supB will introduce a serine and the amino acid sequence of the resulting protein will be identical to that of the parent strain.